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# ALUMNI COLUMNS

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*The Board of Directors*

## From The Director

May 13, 1988, was graduation day for more than 400 Northwestern students. What a glorious day. Think back to your own graduation day — have you accomplished what you anticipated for yourself that day as you walked so proudly across the stage to receive your degree and smile to the cameras flashing by your proud family. Most of us have accomplished those dreams. Please remember where the foundation for those dreams was laid — Northwestern State University.

Northwestern teachers who had faith in your abilities when you didn't, and staff who forever encouraged you when graduation seemed a far off horizon deserve some of that credit. Take the time in the next few days to write a note of thanks to someone at Northwestern who had faith in your ability to be successful. Thank your parents for placing their



trust and money on you. By succeeding you have paid them back a small portion of their love and trust.

Fall recruiting is going well and we hope there will be another increase. When you are called on to assist with encouraging students to attend Northwestern, please agree to help.

Summer is a great time for reflection. The pace is slower in anticipation for the fall. Fall brings the bustle of school and the activities that come with it.

In the summer session, students attend classes then head for the water. In this case, Chaplin's Lake where they can canoe, paddle boat and enjoy the beautiful scenery of the lake.

Alumni work slows somewhat in the summer but plans are in the making for some expansion this fall. Look forward to some new chapters and revitalization

of some old ones in your area. Please get involved.

State Fair Weekend will take on a new look this fall with the beginning of a series with Northeast State University. We look for this to be great both in attendance and enthusiasm. More about this in the fall Columns.

When you and your family take to the highway this summer for your vacation, plan on a stop at Northwestern. We will be happy to give you a tour. You may want to stay a day or two and let your family enjoy the Robert W. Wilson Sr. Recreation Complex where swimming, tennis and golf are available for you and your family.

Talk to you in the fall.

Elise James  
Alumni Director

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The cover of this issue was designed to illustrate the support the new alumni board of directors are receiving from Northwestern President Robert Alost and Elise James, Alumni Executive Director. Profiles on the board members appear on page 10.

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President  
Robert Alost

### To Our Alumni and Friends

These are both difficult and exciting times in Louisiana. We face unprecedented changes in state government and in higher education. Fortunately, Northwestern approaches these challenges from a position of strength.

Our student body is growing, and it is vastly improved. ACT scores of incoming students continue to climb. The young people at your Alma Mater are bright, energetic, enthusiastic and eager to learn. It is a pleasure to work with them and be around them.

Our faculty and staff are tremendous. They are dedicated and competent, and their commitment to education, young people and Northwestern has remained steadfast even in the tough times that we faced together. They are hard-working and compassionate, and they have the student at heart. Their efforts have provided the impetus for substantial enrollment increases

and a highly-motivated student body.

Curricular offerings are still being strengthened. New and exciting programs are being presented and reviewed by faculty, staff and administrators. The institution is vibrating with academic excitement. The NSU Abroad Program, the Repertory Theatre, Scholars' College, Nursing, Business, Education and other areas are bringing creativity and innovations to the campus and the classroom and moving rapidly toward even greater new horizons.

A major priority in coming months will be the beautification of the campus. A landscape architect is finalizing plans for exciting additions to the university. We anticipate the addition of fountains, courtyards, statues, gardens, lakes and other attractions to enhance the beauty of the campus. New azaleas, dogwoods, magnolias and other plants will soon dot the campus. This beautification project will be

phased in over several years with the use of alumni gifts and state and federal funds.

In the next issue of the **Alumni Columns**, we will list features that will be included in the beautification program and the costs of those items. Alumni who contribute will have bronze plaques inscribed with their names placed on the facilities which they help fund. It will be an opportunity not only to contribute to the beauty of the campus but also to become a part of the grace, charm, heritage and tradition of this historic institution.

Please visit your Alma Mater whenever you can. Friends are always welcome. Take time to walk among the stately trees and magnificent buildings on campus. Go for a sentimental stroll along Chaplin's Lake. Reminisce about those grand and glorious days of your youth. The memories are still here. They await you.

Sincerely,  
Robert Alost  
President

## Buildings receive new names

Northwestern's Student Union Building and a dormitory utilized by students in the Louisiana Scholars' College were recently renamed in memory of two former Natchitoches Parish legislators.

The Student Union was dedicated in memory of Sylvan Friedman who served for 20 years in the Louisiana Senate and eight years in the House of Representatives.

Formerly Louisiana Hall, the dormitory was named in honor of Curtis Boozman, Sr. who served two terms in the Louisiana House.

Dedication ceremonies were held April 14 beginning with a reception for the Friedman and Boozman families in the Orville Hanchev Art Gallery of the Fine Arts Building. Following the reception, a dedication program and

open house of the two buildings was held. In addition to Friedman and Boozman family members, in attendance were several former and current state and local elected officials.

Large oil paintings of Friedman and Boozman were unveiled during the dedication ceremonies. The portraits — painted by Natchitoches artist James Thorn — were placed at main entrances of the Friedman Student Union and Boozman Hall.

Northwestern President Robert Alost said, "Sen. Friedman and Rep. Boozman made

enormous contributions to Northwestern and Natchitoches Parish during their years of public service . . . A university can pay no greater tribute to individuals than to name buildings in their honor. The dedication of these facilities at Northwestern will help perpetuate the memories and achievements of two distinguished members of the legislature from Natchitoches Parish."

The Board of Trustees for Louisiana Colleges and Universities granted approval for naming the buildings in memory of the former legislators.



President Robert Alost and Sam Friedman unveil the portrait of Sylvan Friedman.

Friedman was instrumental in obtaining funding for numerous programs and facilities at Northwestern, including the Student Union Building. Completed in 1966, the three-story, 71,000 square-foot building houses a cafeteria, bookstore, ballroom, specialty food areas, meeting rooms, offices and other facilities and is complemented by outdoor patio areas.

The only individual in the history of Natchitoches Parish to serve seven consecutive terms in the legislature, Friedman was elected to the House of Representatives in 1944 and served until 1952, when he was elected to the Louisiana Senate through 1972.

Friedman, who died in 1979, held public office

for 36 years. Before his election to the legislature, he was a member of the Natchitoches Parish Police Jury for two terms.

A farmer, cattleman and businessman, Friedman held positions of leadership in business, professional, civic, charitable and educational organizations. He was a director of Peoples Bank and Trust Company and Progressive Savings and Loan Company and a member of the Red River Waterways Commission,

Southern Regional Educational Board and Lovey Louisiana Tourist Association.

Boozman served in the Louisiana House from 1952 until 1956 and from 1960 to 1964. Louisiana Hall was completed in 1963 while he was in office.

Completely renovated last summer at the cost of some \$700,000, the three-story, 40,000 square-foot dormitory is utilized by female students in the new Louisi-

siana Scholars' College and Northwestern. It accommodates 180 students.

Boozman, who died in 1979, was a delegate to the state's Constitutional Revision Commission in 1956. He was also a Democratic Committeeman-at-large from 1932 until 1936.

A World War I veteran, Boozman was active in veterans' affairs. He was the local commander of the Veterans of World War I and first vice commander of the American Legion, Gordon Peters Post No. 10.

Boozman was active in a number of civic activities and received several awards for public service, including the Mike Gehr Blue Cap Award presented by the American Legion.



President Robert Alost and Patsy Arceneaux, granddaughter of Curtis Boozman, unveil a painting of Boozman.

# Center benefits students, graduates

The Center for Career Planning and Placement of Northwestern can be of value to Northwestern students and alumni. The Center assists many students and alumni in planning and actively pursuing a career.

In addition to offering career counseling, self-assessment and career exploration, the Center also provides placement services as well. Resume preparation, cover letter introduction, contact develop-

ment, search strategy, job interviewing, all facets of employment communications, and help with job decision making are just some of the services provided by the Center.

Center Director Dan Seymour encourages individuals to utilize the services early in their academic career so they may gain a competitive edge. Alumni, too, are encouraged to utilize these services, not only as an individual searching for job placement, but as a potential employer



STUDENTS IN THE CENTER

searching for qualified employees.

Those using the services first register with the Center. A set of confidential papers is compiled on each registrant and is made available to prospective employers.

Placement credential files include applicant's Northwestern transcript and a complete resume. Academic or athletic honors, extracurricular interests and participation, programs, newspaper clippings, or publications and other information may also be included. The additional information is only released upon request by the applicant. Letters of recommendation from college professors, previous employers and others are also provided in the file.

Under the direction of Seymour, the Center has expanded its

services to provide assistance to individuals in every facet of career service. Personal attention such as career counseling, self-assessment, career exploration and placement services are given to each registrant.

Although Seymour said the Center is not an employment agency, "an attempt is made to bring candidates together with appropriate persons for mutual benefit."

Alumni in the position to employ or refer Northwestern graduates are requested to contact the Center. Assistance in giving Northwestern students and graduates a good start is deeply appreciated.

For more information on various services provided by the Center, contact Seymour at the Student Union Building, Room 305, or call (318) 357-5621.

## Nominate a student

Louisiana Scholars' College recently completed its monumental first year at Northwestern State University. Louisiana's governing bodies created this selective-admissions, full-honors, liberal arts program and placed it at Northwestern allowing the best and brightest students to remain in Louisiana while pursuing a higher education.

In an effort to involve alumni in the excitement of the Scholars' College, President Robert Alost

is asking you to nominate promising students from your parish or area to attend the Scholars' College.

Play a part as Louisiana embarks on a new era in excellence in education. The Scholars' College is an integral part of setting this tone and students from your area should have the opportunity to be a part of this progress.

For nomination forms or additional information call toll free at 1-800-426-3754 (in-state) or 1-800-327-1903 (out-of-state).



Warren Hammack (from left), Pamela White, Rex Reed, Robert Harling and Lillian Taylor discuss the Louisiana Repertory Theatre.

## Horse Cave to act in Natchitoches

Professional theater in the form of the Louisiana Repertory Theatre company will come to Northwestern this fall as the result of a collaboration between NSU and the nationally-famous Horse Cave Theatre in Kentucky.

After completing its 13th summer season in south-central Kentucky, Horse Cave Theatre director Warren Hammack, a 26-year veteran of the theater, will bring his professional staff to Northwestern for the purpose of directing the activities of the Louisiana Repertory Theatre company during its semester-long residency at Northwestern.

Employing members of the Actors' Equity Association, professional actors' union, the Louisiana Repertory Theatre Company will present a rotation of four productions for its 1988 fall season. Hammack

will serve as director.

Usually, Hammack said, a repertory theater company will present different shows on Friday night, Saturday afternoon and night, and Sunday afternoon.

The productions announced for the company's first season are "Noises Off," a farce by Michael Frayn; "I'm not Rappaport," a comedy by Herb Gardner; "Anna Christie," a drama by Eugene O'Neill; and "Romeo and Juliet," the classic tragedy by William Shakespeare.

In addition to the four shows presented in rotation, Hammack said a special Christmas production would be staged as an added seasonal attraction of the Natchitoches Christmas Festival.

Hammack said future performances will include works by Louisiana and Southern playwrights.

The creation of the Louisiana Repertory

Theatre as a company in residence each fall at Northwestern is expected to be an added bonus for students enrolled at NSU and the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts. Students will not only make professional contacts but will also be able to participate in the Horse Cave Theatre.

"These students have also been invited to participate in the Horse Cave Theatre's summer season in Kentucky, serving as apprentices," Hammack said.

One of the most important benefits of the Louisiana Repertory Theatre will be the educational outreach program directed toward students in 12 northwest and central Louisiana parishes.

Students from this 12-parish area will be invited to attend special matinee performances of the Shakespeare production. In addition, professional actors from the Louisiana Repertory Theatre company will conduct in-service workshops for teachers prior to their students' attendance at a performance.

Work on developing a repertory theater in Louisiana began five years ago when Northwestern President Robert Alost, who was at the time director of the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts, discussed the possibility with a consultant for the Horse Cave Theatre. Not only would such a venture expand the season of the HCT, it will also serve to broaden the scope and offerings of the theater arts in Louisiana.

In 1984 the Horse Cave Theatre production of Sallie Bingham's "Paducah" was brought to Northwestern after its premier at Horse Cave. The show later moved to off-Broadway in New York, with Tammy Grimes and Carrie Nye as its stars.

The first resource committee meeting for the theater met in Natchitoches in mid-March to instigate construction plans and performance schedules. Among those in attendance were Rex Reed, motion picture critic; Robert Harling, author of "Steel Magnolias"; Lois Breaux, wife of Louisiana Senator John Breaux; Hammack and Alost.

The establishment of a professional theater company in residence, is a first for Northwestern and Louisiana. The Louisiana Repertory Theatre company in residence at Northwestern will provide quality theater for the citizens of this area and

**Horse Cave Cont.**

demonstrate a commitment to student artists and a wide variety of educational programs.

For further information about the Louisiana Repertory Theatre, call (318) 357-4522 or write Lillian Taylor, Administrative Liaison, Louisiana Repertory Theatre, Department of Music and Theatre Arts, Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, LA 71497.

**N**atchitoches, home of Northwestern, meat pies and the Christmas Lights Festival, may soon be the home of another specialty — a movie production.

Although representatives from Ray Stark Productions have not made a final decision, Natchitoches may be the site for the filming of "Steel Magnolias" written by native and Northwestern graduate Bobby Harling.

On April 30, Tommy Whitehead, professor of journalism at Northwestern and member of the Louisiana Film Commission, said the choice had been narrowed down to Natchitoches and Wilmington, N.C. Although no official announcement had been made, movie officials have been in contact with numerous local residents and businesses for possible film settings.

"Steel Magnolias"

by Harling, class of 1973, first appeared at one of New York's leading off-Broadway houses. On its opening, Harling's play gathered positive comments and the attention of theater critics. It also captured the attention of theaters as far away as London, Los Angeles, Chicago and Atlanta.

The original play is set in the fictional town of Chinquapin, La. The story features six women and their strengths. The play is based on the author's sister and mother and composite characters from Natchitoches. Although the play is a comedy, it also contains tragedy — based on the death of Harling's sister.

Whitehead said the setting of the movie, title "The Four Seasons," will be in the present. The movie, which is set in a beauty parlor and based on the life of a mother and daughter, will star Sally Fields as the mother and Meg Ryan as the daughter. Dolly Parton has also signed for the part of a beautician.

Whitehead said there is some speculation that Best Supporting Actress winner Olympia Dukakis and Shirley

MacLaine may also sign.

According to Whitehead, the filming of the movie will run for about 10 to 12 weeks. The set dates are from July 5 until about Sept. 15. The movie calls for the re-enactment of the Christmas Lights Festival which will take place in August or September.

According to Mayor Joe Sampite, the Christmas lights would be hung earlier than usual and the entire festival would be staged at the expense of the movie company. The lights would remain up for the regularly scheduled Natchitoches Christmas Festival the first weekend in December.

Whitehead said the production team has set up an office on Northwestern's campus in the P.E. Majors' Building. If the producers definitely choose Natchitoches, they will use the building for art work and to construct sound stages. The Los Angeles based company will pay all costs.

Whitehead said Andy Stone, assistant producer for the movie came on a preliminary visit to Natchitoches March 29-30. A second

trip to Natchitoches took place April 8-9 when Stone was accompanied by Herbert Ross, director, and Gene Callahan, production designer. Since that time, the company has made several trips to Natchitoches.

Whitehead said, "The group was particularly impressed with the cooperation of Mayor Sampite and President Alost."

President Robert Alost offered the use of university facilities to the crew. Whitehead said the university plays a large role in attracting the production company to Natchitoches. Northwestern offers such facilities as location for interior sound work.

If the company selects Natchitoches, it is estimated that \$2.5 million will be pumped into the economy.

The official decision of the filming location should be announced soon. In the meantime, residents and businessmen are keeping their fingers crossed that Ray Stark Productions will select the oldest settlement of the Louisiana Purchase as the filming site.

## Natchitoches possible filming site



BRADSHAW



RICHARD



REIGEL



DIETZEL



DAVENPORT



DAVIS



MANNING



HAYES



FANT



MILBURN



PROCELL

## The Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame

The Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame will honor 11 of the state's most celebrated athletes and coaches during the 30th anniversary induction ceremonies June 25 on the Northwestern campus.

To be inducted into the shrine are football greats Archie Manning, Terry Bradshaw and the late Tommy Davis, LSU national football champion coach Paul Dietzel, Olympic track stars Willie Davenport and Rod Milburn, long-time Northeast Louisiana basketball coach Lenny Fant, major league pitching star J.R. Richard and basketball standouts Elvin Hayes, Bill Reigel and Greg Procell.

Day-long activities are planned for the induction event, beginning with a continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. in the Natch-

itoches Country Club and followed by a 9:15 a.m. news conference. A scramble golf tournament is set for 10:30 a.m. at the country club and Northwestern's Robert W. Wilson, Sr. Recreation Complex. A reception and tour of the Hall of Fame in Prather Coliseum is set for 5:30 p.m. with the induction banquet to be held at 7 p.m. in the Northwestern Student Union.

Tickets for the induction banquet, which features filmed highlights of the careers of the inductees and autograph and photo sessions with the honorees following the ceremonies, are \$15 each. The golf tournament entry fee is \$30.

Reservations for the banquet and the golf tournament may be made by sending checks to Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame, Prather Coliseum,

Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, LA, 71497.

In addition to the inductees, numerous other sports celebrities will attend the Hall of Fame program, including coaches and athletic directors from across the state, Hall of Famers inducted in previous years, sports media representatives and others.

Members of the Louisiana Sports Writers Association established the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame in 1958 to honor the state's outstanding athletic figures. The Hall of Fame was moved to Natchitoches in 1971.

Hall of Fame induction programs in Natchitoches over the years have attracted such nationally-acclaimed sports stars as Joe Adcock, Pete Maravich, Billy Cannon, John David Crow, Max McGee,

Johnny Robinson, Willie Davis, Tommy Mason, Mel Parnell, Bob Pettit, Willie Reed, Jerry Stovall, Y.A. Tittle, Jimmy Taylor, Tank Younger, Charley McClendon, Ralph Garr, Eddie Robinson, Willie Brown, Tommy Casanova, Bert Jones and Buck Buchanan.

Of the 107 members in the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame, 66 have been inducted since the move to Natchitoches.

This year's induction will increase membership in the Hall of Fame to 118. The Hall of Fame is considered to be the highest honor available to Louisiana coaches and athletes by the Louisiana Sports Writers Association.

Few induction programs have featured a more impressive collection of honorees. Bradshaw guided the

Pittsburgh Steelers to four Super Bowl championships. Manning was Player of the Year and Most Valuable Player in the National Football Conference in 1978 while quarterbacking the Saints and playing in two Pro Bowls.

Davis made 99.4 percent of his extra points in 11 years as a kicker in the NFL. His career punting average of 44.6 was second on the all-time NFL list at the time of his retirement. He played on the 1958 LSU team coached by Dietzel that won the national

championship. In seven years as coach at LSU, Dietzel guided the Tigers to an 18-game winning streak and three finishes in the top three in the nation.

Hayes was the Sporting News' college basketball Player of the Year at Houston in 1968. He was later All-NBA six times and played in 12 NBA All-Star games. Reigel, who led McNeese to a 50-15 record in two years, was the nation's top collegiate basketball scorer as a senior with a 33.9 average. Procell is the nation's top high

school basketball scorer of all time. He had a 37.2 per game average at Ebarb High.

Milburn was the Olympic Games high hurdles gold medalist in 1972 at Munich after an All-America career at Southern. He was named Most Outstanding Athlete in the World in 1971. Davenport competed in four Olympic games and at one time held the Olympic record in the high hurdles. He won the gold medal in the 120-yard high hurdles in the 1968 Olympic Games in Mexico City.

Richard pitched in the major leagues for 15 years and had 1,498 strikeouts in 1,606 innings. He led the National League in ERA in 1979 with 2.71 and set a modern league record for most strikeouts by a righthander in a season with 313 in 292 innings. Fant, head coach at Northeast for 22 years, had 18 consecutive winning seasons. His Northeast teams won eight conference championships, or district title, and 12 tournament championships.

## Festival theme is dance

*Dig out your dancing shoes and get ready for the 1988 Natchitoches - Northwestern Folk Festival*

**D**ig out your dancing shoes and get ready for the 1988 Natchitoches-Northwestern Folk Festival. Scheduled for July 15, 16 and 17, this year's Festival promises to live up to the expectation of good times and good fun.

The theme of the 1988 Festival is "Folk-dance in Louisiana." Demonstrations, workshops and lessons are just a few of the Festival highlights. Round and square dancing, ethnic folk dance

and buck dancing are some of the dances being Offered. The main exhibit will offer dance lessons, both live and video, along with demonstrations of many types of dance. The main stage area will feature live bands and such surprises as barn dances, bunny hops, Virginia reels and the Hucklebuckle.

The Friday and Saturday night shows will take on a new look this year. Friday will feature music from the southern

part of the state, Saturday, the northern part. Friday's lineup includes "Let the Bon Temps Rouler" from the Liberty Theater in Eunice. Liberty Theater show stands as a tribute to a community working together to present its heritage in an entertaining, yet authentic, manner.

"Louisiana Saturday Night" will be presented as a salute to the Louisiana Hayride. Ex-Hayriders will be prominent amongst the

featured entertainers: Nat Stuckey, "Bubba" Talbert and Micki Fuhrman. "Old-timers" Uncle Tex Grimsley and Bill Kirkpatrick, with the Hayride String Band, are also scheduled to appear.

For additional information or to obtain tickets, contact the Louisiana Folklife Center, NSU P.O. Box 3663, Natchitoches, LA, 71497-0014, or call (318) 357-4332.

# Your Alumni Board

**M**eet the members of the 1988 Alumni Board of Directors. Board members are alumni of Northwestern elected by other alumni to represent all NSU graduates. Board members are elected by general membership during the annual meeting of alumni held each homecoming.

Board members are first nominated by a nominating committee then voted on by the general membership. Elected members serve as the governing board for the 60,000 or more graduates of Northwestern.

Responsibilities include encouraging alumni to become involved in Northwestern events, hosting and attending various Northwestern functions held across and out of state, and assisting the alumni office in recruiting, and promotion of Northwestern and alumni expansion.

Under the supervision of Executive Director Elise James, members serve one-year terms. No limit is placed on the number of terms alumni may serve on the board.

## Meet your board:

**A.G. "Ladd" Alexander** — 1950, B.A. speech. Alexander makes his home in Shreveport where he is a chartered life underwriter. He has played a vital role

in his community by serving in such positions as president of various organizations including Shreveport Association of Life Underwriters, Shreveport Society of Chartered Life Underwriters, and the Louisiana Association of Life Underwriters.

Alexander has gathered such honors as the Distinguished Service Award of Shreveport Association of Life Underwriters, Top Agent in Louisiana in 1979, and has qualified 30 consecutive years as a member of the Million Dollar Round Table. In addition to being the featured speaker at various sales congresses throughout the United States, Alexander was featured as one of 54 top life insurance agents of the United States in Fred Kissling's book *Sell and Grow Rich*.

Alexander is the founder, former owner, president, and CEO of United Agents Life Insurance Company of America. He is also the founder and president of the Virgin Islands Administrative Corporation of Louisiana.

Looking back to Alexander's involvements at Northwestern, Alexander was president of his sophomore, junior and senior classes and a representative to Student Federation of Louisiana Colleges and Underwriters. Alexander was also involved in debate

and dramatics.

**Raymond Arthur** — 1964, B.S. business. Arthur resides in Natchitoches where he is a practicing attorney. After graduating from Northwestern, Arthur went to Loyola University where he received his juris doctorate in 1970.

In Natchitoches, Arthur is president of the Kiwanis Club, vice president of Natchitoches Industries, Inc., and serves on the Board of Directors of Exchange Bank & Trust Company. He is a member of Louisiana State Bar Association, American Bar Association, Louisiana State Central Democratic Committee, Association of Trial Lawyers of America, and the Louisiana Association of Defense Council. Arthur has been commissioned to practice law before the U.S. Supreme Court.

While attending Northwestern, Arthur was a proud Demon being a member of both the basketball and track teams. Arthur also took an active part in the business fraternities. Arthur is a past president of the NSU Alumni Association.

**Dale Bernard** — 1972, B.S. business education. Bernard is a resident of Lake Charles where he is a State Farm Insurance Agent. He has been an agent for 25 years.



ALEXANDER



ARTHUR



BERNARD



CHESTER



FRESH

In Lake Charles, Bernard takes an active part in the Chamber of Commerce and serves on the Red Carpet Committee. He also takes an active and vital interest in public education having served three terms on the Calcasieu Parish School Board.

At Northwestern, Bernard was president of his freshman class in 1948.

**Tommy Chester — 1969,** B.S. wildlife management. Chester who also earned a M.A. in student personnel services from Northwestern, lives in Arcadia where he is employed as a State Farm Insurance Agent. Living in Arcadia for more than 10 years, Chester has served as president and vice president of the Arcadia Jaycees, was on the Chamber of Commerce, and is a member and deacon of the First Baptist Church.

Chester's honors include being named outstanding program manager for the Louisiana Jaycees in 1979-80, selected to Legion of Honor and as Merit Agent, and qualifying for Convention Club and Millionaire Club membership for State Farm Insurance.

At Northwestern, Chester held memberships in Phi Delta Kappa and Student Personnel Association, and played baseball in 1964. Chester also served as program director for the Student Un-

ion and held graduate assistantship as program director for the Student Union and house director for Natchitoches Hall.

Chester is married to NSU graduate Cynthia Thomas, B.S. business education. They have three children ages 17, 10 and nine.

**Barry Fresh — 1966.** Fresh makes his home in Covington where he is employed as a plumbing contractor. Fresh takes an active part in Covington serving as president of Fresh Plumbing Inc., and coaching youth football, basketball and baseball. He also participates in state and local 10K runs and triathlons. In his free time Fresh can be seen jogging on the streets of Covington.

While at Northwestern, Fresh played football for three years in the position of halfback and fullback. He was a member of the 1966 undefeated team.

Fresh is described by his peers as a dedicated, hard worker. He is always present at Northwestern football and basketball games and plays an active role in his parish recruiting for Northwestern.

**Carroll Long — 1970,** B.A. and M.S. Long is a resident of Tyler, Texas. He is employed as an agency manager for State Farm Insurance. Long's business honors include being selected as a lifetime

member of State Farm's President Club.

While at Northwestern, Long was a member of the Student Government Association his freshman year and was a member of the Demon football squad all four years.

Long is the only member of the board who resides in Texas. He is responsible for serving as the voice of the many Northwestern graduates now living in Texas.

**Glenn Edward Talbert — 1964,** B.S. physical education. Talbert of Shreveport is a self-employed agent for State Farm Insurance Companies. His business honors include qualifying for the Million Dollar Club of State Farm Insurance, and being named to the Career Achievement Club.

At Northwestern, Talbert was a well-known Demon participating on both varsity football and track teams 1960-63. He served as permanent team captain for the Demons and was named to the All Gulf States Conference team 1961-63. Talbert held memberships in the N-Club 1960-64 and was listed in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. Upon graduation in 1964, Talbert was drafted by the Kansas City Chiefs.

Talbert continues to play an



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active role in Northwestern. He recently completed serving two terms as president of Northwestern's N-Club and was inducted into NSU Athletic Hall of Fame in 1985.

**Susan Thompson Taylor** — 1967, B.S. and M.S. education. Taylor is a resident of Natchitoches where she owns and operates Susan's Balloons. In addition to operating a balloon delivery service, Taylor's business is also involved in decorating for major social functions and fund raisers in Natchitoches and at Northwestern.

Taylor takes an active role in community service by serving as past president of Jaycee Jaynes and Les Amies. She also served nine years as chairperson of the Miss Merry Christmas pageant and the Junior Miss program.

While at Northwestern, Taylor was president of Sigma Sigma Sigma social sorority. Taylor is married to Griffin Taylor Jr., and has three children.

**Betty "Ginger" Wiggins** — 1987, B.S. information systems and business. Wiggins resides in Shreveport where she is employed as administrative secretary for the

financial division of Commercial National Bank.

Wiggins serves her community as a notary public in Caddo Parish and as newly elected member of the Parish Executive Committee for the Republican Party. She also serves as alumni correspondent for the Shreveport/Bossier NSU Alumni Chapter, and president of the Shreveport Alumni Chapter of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

While at Northwestern, Wiggins was a member of the Student Union Governing Board and Sigma Sigma Sigma social sorority which she served as rush director.

**Parker Wiggins** — 1941, B.S. physical education and business administration. Wiggins is a resident of Monroe where he is semi-retired from the insurance business. He is co-owner and president of Leigh and Wiggins Insurance Agency.

A familiar face around Monroe, Wiggins is a member of the Monroe Rotary Club, Grace Episcopal Church, board of directors of the Ouachita Valley Boy Scouts, American Red Cross, March of Dimes, Diabetes Chap-

ter of northeast Louisiana, and the Board of Louisiana Association of Independent Agents. In addition, Wiggins has held several leadership positions including president positions of Ouachita Association of Insurance Agents, Red Cross Chapter, March of Dimes and Diabetes Chapter of northeast Louisiana. Wiggins also chaired Red Cross fund raising for two years.

At Northwestern, Wiggins served as president of the freshman class, business manager for the yearbook, president of Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity, and was a member of the football, baseball and track teams for four years.

Although Wiggins originally entered Louisiana State University upon his graduation from high school, he transferred his allegiance to Northwestern and there it has remained.

The above graduates have taken knowledge and experience gained from Northwestern and applied it not only to their chosen careers but also to the benefit of their communities. These graduates are also your representatives.

## Carter and company: winning tradition

**S**ince his graduation in 1973, Bill Bailey Carter, B.A. public relations, has made a name for himself and more recently Northwestern.

Founder, president and chairman of the board of Carter Advertising Inc., since 1977, Carter and Northwestern recently joined forces in the recruiting effort. Located in Shreveport, Carter Advertising was hired by Northwestern last year to produce a viewbook, poster, catalog, logo/letterhead and slide show with a consistent theme. Northwestern was seeking a corporate image to use in recruiting.

Not only did Carter Advertising help Northwestern create a corporate image, the company also helped Northwestern gain national attention. The Northwestern items created by Carter Advertising were entered in the Third Annual Admissions Advertising Awards sponsored by the Admissions Marketing Report, a monthly magazine geared toward college and university administration.

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tries, Carter/Northwestern captured the following honors: logo/letterhead, first place; viewbook, second; and catalog and poster, each receiving third place honors. Carter's winners, along with other category winners, will appear in the 1988 Admissions Advertising Awards Yearbook.

Northwestern was Carter Advertising's first university client. The firm offers full-service advertising, marketing and public relations expertise to local, national and international clients. Offices are located in Shreveport and Baton Rouge.

In addition to winning awards with Northwestern, Carter has also gathered a few awards of his own including Shreveport Ad Federation "Best of Show" awards in 1977, 1981, 1984 and 1985; SAF awards 1977 through 1985; American Advertising Federation

"Citation of Excellence" 1981, 1984; National Advertising Agency Network, Gold Award, 1982; and Southern Creativity Show, Barney Awards, 1979, 1980, to name a few.

Prior to creating Carter Advertising, Carter served as account executive for Glenn Mason and Associates Advertising, and account executive and director of public relations for Jack Hodges III Communications, Inc.

Aside from his current duties, the Northwestern graduate also serves as chairman of the board of Carter Communications Corporation, parent company of Carter Advertising.

Carter holds membership in a wide variety of professional and civic groups. Professional memberships include American Association of Advertising Agencies, National Advertising Agency Network, American Marketing Associa-

tion, Business/Professional Advertising Association, Southwest Association of Advertising Agencies, and the Shreveport Advertising Federation.

Honors which Carter has collected include Small Business Person of Louisiana, Rising Young Business Leader, Outstanding Young Men of America, Who's Who in Advertising and Who's Who in the South and Southwest.

Carter takes an active interest in Shreveport by holding memberships and leadership positions in the following groups: Caddo Association of Retarded Citizens, Shreveport Juvenile Justice Program, Family Counseling and Children's Services of Shreveport, Forbing YMCA, Norwela Council of the Boy Scouts of America, Louisiana State University Shreveport Associates, Holiday in Dixie Ambassadors Club, Historical Preservation of Shreveport, and Highland Restoration.

Carter is married to the former Catherine Murrell and has one child, Stinson.



Carter

## Busy Campbell represents voters

**F**oster Campbell Jr., Louisiana state senator in District 36, is quite busy these days. In addition to running for United States Congress recently, he is president and owner of Campbell Insurance Agency in Bossier City and is on the Board of Directors for First Security Bank in Haughton.

Despite a car accident in March which interrupted his campaign, Campbell is back on his feet representing his constituents in Baton Rouge. An insurance executive with banking and cattle farming interests, as well as being a former Bos-

sier Parish school teacher, Campbell represents his constituents with a "country boy" sin-

cerity.

Senate District 36 is mostly a rural district located in northwest Louisiana covering all of Webster and Bienville parishes and portions of Bossier and Claiborne. Many of the residents in this district live in the suburban neighborhoods of south Bossier where Campbell resides. Campbell, a democrat, has represented District 36 as senator since 1976.

Since 1984, as senator, Campbell has been serving as chairman of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and as member of both the Senate Committee on Education and the Finance Committee.

Aside from his distinguished professional career, Campbell is married to the former Paula Wright and has five children. Whenever time permits, Campbell enjoys

hunting, calf-roping and training his bird dogs.

Campbell has spent much of his time since graduating from Northwestern battling issues and voting for the residents in his district. Some of the issues which Campbell has confronted include utility rates and tax increases.

A 1984 article by Lanny Keller described Campbell as a successful politician "Building on the base of his family, with deep roots in Louisiana's hill country, he has been three times elected to the Senate, has run once for Congress, and is the youngest Senate committee chairman, heading up the Agricultural Committee."

A man of varied interests, Campbell exhibits the passion of politics with an ambition that will certainly keep him moving up the ladder.



Campbell

**11** Bessie Brown Green, two-year teaching certificate, will be celebrating her 102nd birthday in August. Green is a retired teacher from Haynesville. In addition to working in Haynesville, Green taught at various schools throughout Louisiana. Green presently resides in Tuscaloosa, Ala., where she lives with her daughter Margaret Green.

**17** Mrs. Jessie Hearn, two-year teaching certificate, is currently teaching Sunday school and playing the piano at Heritage Manor. Since her graduation from Normal, Hearn has received her B.A. from Southeastern University and her masters from the University of Mississippi. Hearn will turn 93 in January.

**55** Garland Lawrence, business administration and accounting, was recently promoted to vice president of the public affairs division for Central Louisiana Electric Company, Inc. (CLECO). Lawrence joined CLECO in 1955 and has served in a variety of management positions. Lawrence is active in the Civil Air Patrol and Illuminating Engineering Society. He presently lives in Alexandria with his wife.

**73** Kathi Finnell, B.S., has been named to the 1988 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. Finnell is attending the Iliff School

of Theology in Denver, Colo., where she is working on a master of divinity degree. She was formerly an associate council director in the Louisiana Conference.

**79** Marine Capt. Thomas Barton, B.S., recently reported for duty at Marine Corps Development and Education Command in Quantico, Va. Barton joined the Marine Corps in May of 1979.

Thomas Brassell, B.S. accounting, was recently promoted to bank marketing manager for the Georgia District of Control Data Business Centers. Brassell attended Northwestern on a golf scholarship. Upon graduation, he worked with Getty Oil Company for four years as a tax accountant. Brassell then accepted a position as sales representative in the data services division. Brassell has received numerous sales awards and has worked closely in the development of marketing campaigns for the data services group.

**80** David Wright is the Western Regional Director of UAD Laboratories, Inc., in Dallas. UAD is an expanding pharmaceutical company, requiring Wright to travel throughout Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado, Utah and New Mexico. Wright presently supervises a sales force of more than 20 salespeople who market and promote the company's products to doctors, pharmacists and

hospitals.

**81** Cheryl Gianforte, M.A., was recently selected as one of seven regional award-winning teachers at the Pursuit of Excellence awards banquet hosted by Congressman Jerry Huckaby. More than 300 teachers attended the banquet. Gianforte, a teacher at Natchitoches Central High School, was selected through criteria established by the state. Gianforte lives in Natchitoches with her husband Fred and their daughter. The Gianfortes are currently expecting a new addition to the family.

### Others

Dr. Steven Jones has been named president of Phillips County Community College in Helena, Ark. Jones has been employed at the college since 1975 having served as instructor, program director, dean and vice president. Jones is the second president of the college, which was founded in 1965 as Arkansas' first public community college. Enrollment at the college exceeds 1,500 students. Phillips is only one of two comprehensive two-year colleges in Arkansas offering university transfer, vocational-technical and continuing education programs. Jones also holds degrees from the University of Mississippi and Nova University in Florida.

Monte Robinson, B.S. business administration, has been elected president and chief executive officer

of Security State Bank in Elysian Fields, Texas. Previously with a bank in Shreveport, Robinson is also a graduate of the Southwestern Graduate School of Banking, ABA National School of Retail Banking and the National Installment Credit School.

## Deaths

**21** Mattie Gray Brown, Shreveport, Feb. 13, 1988.

**35** Velma Nichols Willey, Monroe, April 1, 1988.

**37** Thelma Tisdale, Bogalusa, April 9, 1988.



Jones



Lawrence

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## What's Cooking?

**N**orthwestern's Campus Women's Organization is compiling a cookbook featuring recipes from Northwestern alumnae. In addition to recipes, the book will include several sectional dividers containing facts about Northwestern.

The Campus Women are currently soliciting recipes for the book. The group would like to have one or two of your special recipes as soon as possible. The editors will try to include all recipes; however, due to limited space selection may be necessary. Duplicate submitted recipes will bear the names

of all those submitting it.

Guidelines for submitting recipes include printing clearly or typing the recipe, listing all ingredients, describing the method for preparing, and naming the recipe. The following abbreviations should be used. c., tsp., Tbsp., pkg., qt., pt., oz., and lb.

When submitting recipes be sure to include your name and the year you graduated from Northwestern. Please submit recipes as soon as possible to the Office of External Affairs, Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, LA 71497.

The organization is expecting to sell a large

number of the cookbooks. Advance orders are being accepted. In order to secure your copy or copies, please include the number of books you want to reserve, your name, address and phone number.

Proceeds from the sale of the book will be used to establish a scholarship fund. The cookbook will sell for \$10 a copy.

## Hold on to the old

Running out of attic space? Want to get rid of old papers and objects with sentimental value, yet hate to just throw them away? Northwestern has an answer to your problems. Watson Memorial Library needs your old letters, photographs, music, diaries and other papers. Such items are important in preserving history at Northwestern. Use the library as your attic. For more information contact Ada Jarred at 318-357-4477 or write Watson Memorial Library, Northwestern State University, Natchitoches, LA 71497.

## Stephens goes in first round to Patriots

**J**ohn Stephens, Northwestern's all-time leading rusher, ended one football career and began another after being chosen by the NFL's New England Patriots in the first round of the draft on April 24.

Stephens, who was the 17th pick overall, was the second running back taken, behind UCLA's Gaston Green, who went to the Los Angeles Rams as the 13th overall selection.

"I'm relieved that it's over — that I know where I'm going," Stephens said afterward. "I still don't think that it has all sunken in yet."

Stephens admitted being surprised when New England head coach Raymond Berry called him minutes before the Patriots, 8-7 in 1987, selected. "They hadn't shown a lot of interest in me — I thought for sure that I was going to Pittsburgh on the next pick." The Steelers had shown more interest in Stephens than perhaps any other team and had the 18th pick in the draft.

"I'm happy about going to New England," Stephens said. "I don't want to go where there was a losing situation. The Patriots had a win-

ning record last year and went to the Super Bowl a couple years back, so they know what it takes to get there."

New England Director of player personnel Dick Steinberg commented that "anytime you get a big back who can do anything, it's very difficult not to take him. John can run inside, he can run outside, he catches the ball well, he blocks, he's played both fullback and halfback and has returned kick-offs."

Steinberg continued saying, "The value is there (at running back). This will give us a bunch of young backs. It's a vulnerable position. Even if they all stay healthy, it's great to have fresh legs to roll in and out of there. He's a very good choice for us because it's a position that you can never have too many players."

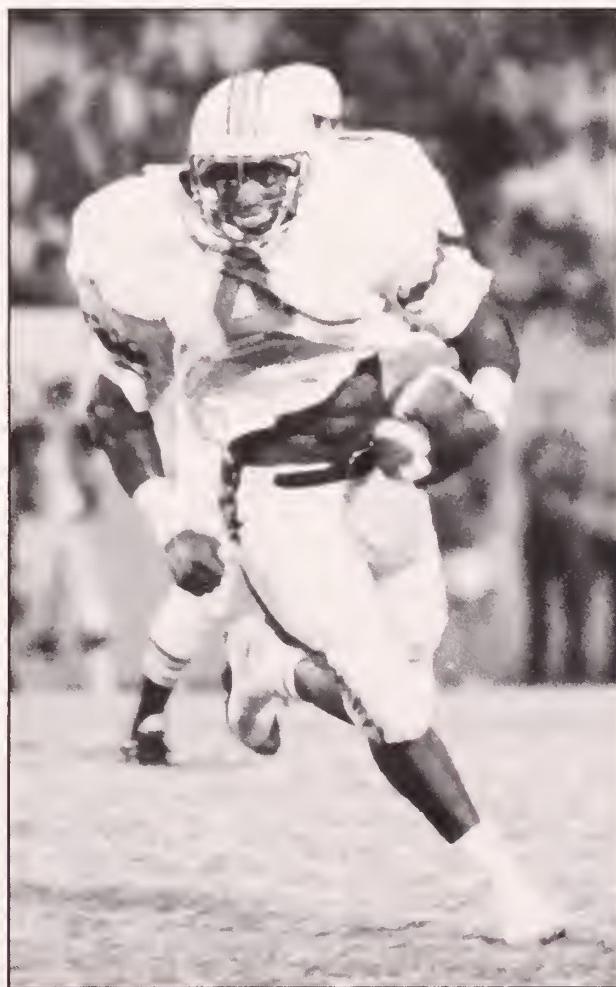
Northwestern State head coach Sam Goodwin said "we're (the NSU coaching staff) really happy for John. We were hopeful that he'd go in the first round. We thought that he could go in the top 10, but realistically 14 through 20. But to be the first I-AA player drafted and the 17th overall is quite an honor for him and has

brought NSU lots of publicity and made us proud."

Like Stephens, Goodwin was surprised when it was the Patriots picking when the appointed time came. "They had a scout in here about a month and a half ago, but I don't think that they even worked him out like the others did. Of course, they saw him at the

scouting combine. They (the Patriots) drafted offensive people in the first few rounds and they like the ball control offense, and I think that John will fit right in."

Stephens surpassed the late Joe Delaney as Northwestern's all-time leading rusher during his last game. The native of Springhill, La., tallied 3,057 yards on 653



Stephens Cont.

attempts during his career and scored 23 touchdowns.

In the NFL, he'll be joining five other former Demons. Linebacker Gary Reasons and receiver Odessa Turner both line up for the New York Giants while Mark Duper is a former all-pro with the Miami Dolphins. Quarterback Bobby Hebert took the New Orleans Saints to their first ever winning season and a spot in the playoffs in 1987 and Robert Moore was a 16-game starter for the Atlanta Falcons.

## Winning record disappointing for coach

**I**n some cases, a winning record doesn't bring a smile to a manager's face.

At least, not to the lips of the Lady Demon chief Rickey McCalister, who frowned when reflecting upon his team's 25-24 final worksheet, including a 6-7, fourth place finish in the Southland Conference.

Northwestern's performance in its last game of the SLC tournament was typical of what happened all year long: Northwestern scored 10 runs, committed seven errors, and lost the season finale to Southwest Texas State, 11-10.

"I was expecting that we'd be way above .500 this year," McCalister said after completing his second tour of duty. "We just never got it all together. When we received good pitching, we didn't get good hitting or defense. When we got good defense, we didn't get any good pitching or hitting. When we hit, we had no defense or pitching." The combinations of mediocrity.

Another item on McCalister's mediocrity list was errors — the kind committed in the field and the type made in the mind. "We only had 90 last year and close to 120

(117) this year. That's terrible. And if you could add mental errors onto the stat sheet, we'd be close to triple digits in that area as well," McAlister moaned.

McCalister doesn't lose all hope, however, when looking ahead to 1989. "We just have to get a good start in the fall, bring in some new kids to replace the seniors that we're losing, and go from there."

The Lady Demons return five of their top seven hitters and must find replacements at first base, catcher, leftfield and centerfield. Sonja Olsen, the squad's top hitter with a .274 average, is just a freshman and with three more campaigns similar to the one she enjoyed in 1988, could rewrite the Northwestern record book. Her 45 hits were the most ever by a first year player and rank third on the Northwestern all-time season hit list.

Olsen will be flanked in the infield by second baseman Michelle Efferson (.237 batting average, 22 hits in just 30 games) and third baseman Tammy Mros (.257 batting average, 27 rbi's). First baseman Jeanne DiVittorio, a four year starter, finished up her career in fine fashion, knocking in 31 runs this

year and compiling a .353 slugging percentage.

Rightfielder Val Salter came on like gangbusters in 1988, matching her hit total compiled during the first two years of her career (32) and driving home 17 runs while compiling a .242 batting average. Missing from the green grass in 1989 will be a pair of four year starters in centerfielder Ginger Craig and left out Tracy Foshee. That duo rank one-two as the all-time hit leaders at Northwestern. Craig, who'll someday be inducted into Northwestern's Graduate "N" Club Hall of Fame, ripped 173 hits during her career and Foshee added 154 safeties.

Catcher Missy Landreneau, also a four-year letterwinner, was second on this year's team in the rbi department with a total of 25. Designated hitters Dawn Carlos (11 rbi's) and Anne LaHaye (.225 batting average, 15 rbi's) return as does back-up catcher Jill Jenkins.

The mound corps, consisting of senior-to-be Kellie Shotwell (13-14, 1.57 earned run average) and Amy Thibault (11-9 won-lost record) will be back on the hill for another go around in 1989.

## Demons Olympic Hopefuls

When the United States Olympic Trials begin July 15 in Indianapolis, Indiana, Northwestern State will have two of its student-athletes trying to make the track and field team that will represent the United States in Seoul, Korea, at the Olympic Games in September.

The two, Brian Brown and Llewellyn Starks, both qualified for the trials earlier this year.

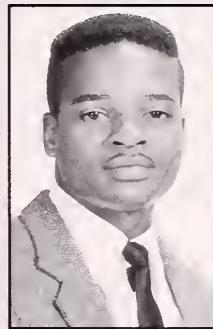
Brown, a two-time all-American in the high jump, has a personal best effort of 7-6½ and won both the indoor and outdoor Southland Conference high jump championships in 1988. He finished fifth in the nation (outdoors) in 1987 and wound up third last March at the NCAA indoor championships in Oklahoma City, Okla.

Starks is also a two-time long jumper in

his specialty, the long jump. The sophomore from Jonesboro has finished fifth in the country each of the last two years at the NCAA's indoor championships and his career-best leap of 26-4½ ties him with former Demon



Brown



Starks

Jarrot Handy for the longest jump ever in Northwestern annals.

Northwestern State's Lady Demon Tennis squad finished second in the Southland Conference with 40 points, only 10 behind Southwest Texas State University's 50 points. Northeast Louisiana finished third with 27 points, while North Texas State (25) and Sam Houston State (11) were fourth and fifth.

Northwestern crowned four champions after the finals of the conference tournament, hosted by Northwestern State. In singles, Barbara Tons took care of Melissa Martin of Southwest Texas 6-2, 6-2 at number two, and Jane Paterson defeated Holley Pugsley of North Texas State 6-2, 7-5 at number five.

The Lady Demons also won two doubles crowns, winning the

## Northwestern crowned four champions after the finals of the conference tournament

number one and two titles. Tons teamed with Shayne Fitzwilliam for a 6-2, 6-2 win over the North Texas State doubles team at number one for their third conference title, while Paterson and Karen Patel handed the number two team from

Southwest Texas the 6-4, 7-5 loss.

Fitzwilliam, whose second place finish was the lowest in her three years, ended the season with a 15-5 record. Tons, with her second gold medal in three years, finished the 1988 cam-

paign at 16-5. Patel was 16-6 in her first year, as was Stephanie Cloutier. Paterson ended with a 16-5 mark, and Sara Jones was 14-8.

The doubles teams of Patel/Paterson had the season's best record, losing only once in 18 matches. Tons/Fitzwilliam were 14-5, and Cloutier/Jones finished at 13-6.

The Lady Demons finished with a 12-5 overall mark, after winning their first five matches of the season.

The 1989 squad will be comprised of five members from the 1988 roster. Only Stephanie Cloutier will be lost to graduation. Tons and Fitzwilliam will be seniors, Jones, a junior, and Patel and Paterson will be sophomores.

## Track teams take fourth, seventh in SLC

**N**orthwestern State track coach Leon Johnson isn't one who gives credit where it isn't due, which helps explain why he wasn't passing out many plaudits following the Demon and Lady Demon efforts at the Southland Conference track and field championships.

The men wound up in fourth place, a full 25 points behind third place Texas-Arlington. Northeast Louisiana took home its second SLC outdoor championship in as many years, finishing ahead of Southwest Texas State.

"I was disappointed with our men," Johnson said. "All of our planning had gone into peaking at the conference meet, and individually we did not have many great performances."

"No one let down," Johnson continued, "Except for Jamie (Horn) false starting in the 110 meter hurdles and Keith Armond not qualifying for the finals in the discus. We just did not have the super performances that we needed to have a shot at winning. We just did

what we've been doing."

Northwestern did record three first place efforts. Al Edwards sped to a 10.47 victory in the 100 meter dash and Brian Brown topped the 7-3 1/4 level in the high jump. Northwestern's 400 meter relay team turned in its best time of the season after whipping around the oval in 39.70.

"Al (Edwards) ran a great race for 70 meters and then tightened up and did not finish strong," Johnson said of his 100 meter champion. "Brian jumped well and was over at 7-6 but his timing wasn't good."

"The relay team didn't run extremely well," Johnson continued. "They had a decent time but individually, we can run better. We didn't handle the baton as well as

we're going to have to down the road."

One trackster that Johnson was happy with was 400 meter man Charles Wood. "If I had to pick out one performance that went beyond our expectations, then it was Charles' performance in the open 400 and in the mile relay."

Wood, a freshman, took sixth in the 400 and ran a leg on the Demon mile relay squad that finished second. He qualified for the Junior Nationals in the 400 meter dash.

Northwestern lost valuable points after Horn, the odds on favorite to win the 110 meter hurdles, was disqualified for false starting. Llewellyn Starks, an Olympic Trials and NCAA qualifier in the long jump, scratched

from that event after pulling a hamstring in the preliminaries of the 100 meter dash.

Other Demons turning in commendable performances included Ronald Wilkins in the half mile (1:51:55), Eric Lee, who finished a surprising second in the 110 hurdles, Lawrence Chatman, third place in the 400 meter dash (47.14), and Edgar Cooper, who placed in both the 100 meter dash (10.63, fifth) and 200 meter dash (21.05, fourth).

Paul Oenbrink wound up third in the discus, an event ruined by rain. Brent Brown took fifth in the javelin (197-4) and Leon Carr's 52-9 1/4 effort in the shot put was also a fifth place finish.

For the Northwestern women, no first place finishes were recorded, although Peggy Lewis qualified for the Junior Nationals in the shot put after finishing second (45-4 1/4) in that event. Northeast Louisiana also won the women's division, followed by Southwest Texas State, Stephen F. Austin and Texas-Arlington.



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